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The Honorable Public Utilities Commission of the State of Hawaii Kekuanao'a Building, First Floor 465 South King Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Request for Extension of Time in Docket No. 05-0002

To the Honorable Public Utilities Commission of the State of Hawaii:

Tesoro Hawaii Corporation, a Hawaii corporation ("Tesoro"), respectfully requests that the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Hawaii ("Commission") enlarge the time that Tesoro has to file its responses to the Commission's information requests (currently due on March 10, 2005). Tesoro notes that another party in this Docket has requested an extension of time up to and including March 31, 2005, and Tesoro respectfully requests the same enlargement of time. However, Tesoro is mindful of the Commission's desire to expedite this proceeding in order to meet the legislative mandate under Hawaii Revised Statutes Chapter 486H, as amended, and seeks to assist the Commission in attaining this goal. Tesoro thus would be appreciative of any extension granted by the Commission in this regard. Tesoro will continue to endeavor to complete its responses to information requests in the time allotted by the Commission. As discussed below, Tesoro believes that good cause exists to grant the relief requested. Tesoro makes this request pursuant to Section 6-61-23(a) of the Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 6, Chapter 61.

The crux of Tesoro's request for an enlargement of time is to give Tesoro adequate time to respond to the information requests, especially in light of the complexity of some of the information requests and the need to comply with complex issues of laws relating to disclosure of information. For example, PUC-IR-9 requests that Tesoro "identify the monthly average price for wholesale gasoline sales in 2003 and 2004 in each zone and for each class of sale (DTW, Rack, Bulk, other)." In addition, the requests further states that this "data should be consistent with the data reported monthly to EIA on an aggregate basis for the State." Tesoro is attempting to meet this request but is finding that compiling the data is a more time consuming matter than might be anticipated. Further, Tesoro is trying to obtain the EIA reports referenced in the request to assure that the data is consistent with the data filed in such reports. The process of

compiling and cross checking the data will not likely be completed by the current deadline to respond to information requests. In addition, the requests ask for information related to cost structure and methods of determining prices. In light of Sarbanes-Oxley as well as other SEC and anti-trust concerns, Tesoro needs to have the time necessary to ensure that any information disclosed is in compliance with these laws as well. Finally, Tesoro's general counsel is out of the country until March 13, 2005 and it is taking more time to coordinate his review of the responses. Thus, Tesoro respectfully requests the enlargement of time to file its responses to the Commission's information requests.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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